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This Amendment is being filed in response to the Official Action of the Examiner mailed April 15, 2004, setting a three-month shortened statutory period for response ending July 15, 2004. A one-month extension of time is hereby requested, extending the period for response to August 15, 2004.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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